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SUBJECT:MARCH 10 MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER PUJA

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1. REGARDING YOUR TALK WITH PUJA, THE PLAN YOU HAVE SUGGESTED IN PARA 2 REFTEL SEEMS EXCELLENT. YOU MAY ALSO FIND THAT THE MEETING IS AN APPROPRIATE TIME TO HAND OVER THE NOTE ON THE GOH ANNUAL PAYMENT UNDER THE CLAIMS AGREEMENT.

2. OUR PREVIOUS POLICY GUIDANCE (75 STATE 298778) REMAINS CURRENT. WE NOTE THAT SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN SOME OF THE AREAS YOU HAD ORIGINALLY PROPOSED TO RAISE WITH PUJA (PARA 9, 75 BUDAPEST 3555) - THE CULTURAL/ SCIENTIFIC AGREEMENT NEGOTIATIONS APPEAR ON TRACK, THE
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DATES. YOU MAY ALSO WISH TO PUSH OUR DIPLOMATIC/OFFICIAL VISA FACILITATION PROPOSAL. DIVIDED FAMILIES REMAIN A MAJOR CONCERN.

3. YOU MAY WISH TO DRAW OUT PUJA ON A COUPLE OF BROADER TOPICS. WE LEAVE THE CHOICE UP TO YOU. SUCH SUBJECTS AS THE SOVIET PARTY CONGRESS, BALKAN COOPERATION AND CMEA INTEGRATION MIGHT BE WORTHWHILE.

4. IF CIRCUMSTANCES SEEM APPROPRIATE YOU MAY WISH TO EXPRESS OUR CONTINUING CONCERN ON THE PUERTO RICO ISSUE, DRAWING ON THE FOLLOWING TALKING POINTS:

-- FOR THE USG, PUERTO RICO IS AN ISSUE AFFECTING NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY.

-- WE ARE AWARE THROUGH REAFFIRMATION BY HUNGARY IN THE UN AND ELSEWHERE THAT RESPECT FOR NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY OF ALL NATIONS IS A CORNERSTONE OF GOH FOREIGN POLICY.

-- HUNGARIAN RESPONSIVENESS ON THIS ISSUE IS CLEARLY AN IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS IMPORTANT BASIC PRINCIPLE WHICH IS PARTICULARLY APPROPRIATE IN LIGHT OF OUR MUTUAL DESIRE TO IMPROVE OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS.

-- WE ARE PLEASED THAT HUNGARY DECLINED TO MAKE A STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE AT THE UN LAST FALL.

-- WE SHALL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW DEVELOPMENTS ON THIS ISSUE CLOSELY. KISSINGER

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